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Dear Parents

Year 3 Statutory Swimming Lessons - 15th April - 3rd May 2024

As part of your child's National Curriculum, all children are provided opportunities to free swimming lessons during their primary school education. We have arranged a three week course of swimming lessons for Year 3 at the Life Centre; these will take place each morning starting on Monday 15th April 2024 and with the last day being Friday 3rd May.

The swimming lesson programme adheres to the Swim England school swimming and water safety guidelines and National Curriculum Key Stage 2 skills. The children will travel to and from the pool by coach. The coach will be leaving school at 09:00 each morning therefore pupils will be expected to have arrived into classrooms for registration by 08:55 as normal. The children will return to school at approximately 10:30.

Please ensure the following:

- Your child is wearing their swimwear underneath their uniform to limit the amount of time we spend getting changed at arrival.
- Your child brings a towel and underwear each day in a named bag (separate to their normal school bag).
- Hair at shoulder length or longer is fully tied back.
- No jewellery
- No food
- No money

The swimming staff are very clear about swimwear: girls must wear a **one piece** costume and boys must wear swimming trunks/shorts that fall above the knee. Knee length 'Bermuda' type shorts are not considered acceptable.

The use of goggles is optional.

If your child requires an asthma inhaler, please ensure they have it with them every day, otherwise we are unable to take them with us.

To help with organising the children to ensure that they get the most of every session, please fill out the Google Form regarding current swimming proficiency by scanning the QR code below. My thanks to those who have already completed this form.

If you have any concerns regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Many thanks,

Mr Driscoll



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